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PATENT

In re application of: : Kaltenbacher et al.  
Title : **FLUORESCENCE BASED LIQUID  
CORE WAVEGUIDE**  
Serial No. : 09/869,653  
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of the statutory period for response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2003. Enclosed is a check for \$55.00 to cover the small entity one-month extension of time to respond. Please charge any fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 03-0172. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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